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SUBJ: NARCOTICS PREVENTION PROGRAM: "NARCONON"

REF: ZWEIFEL-HAMILTON JULY 30 TELECON.

1. DURING COURSE OF JULY 30 CEREMONY IN WHICH DCM DEAN PRESENTED LIBRARY MATERIALS TO CEMEF, REPRESENTATIVES FROM ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE AND SECRETARIAT OF HEALTH AND WELFARE, AS WELL AS DR. BELSASSO OF CEMEF, QUERIED EMBASSY OFFICIALS ABOUT "NARCONON" ORGANIZATION. WILLIAM BENITEZ, FOUNDER OF THIS ORGANIZATION, HAS BEEN IN MEXICO SINCE LAST WEEK. HE HAS SOUGHT APPOINTMENTS WITH GOM OFFICIALS FROM PRESIDENT ON DOWN. HIS ESSENTIAL PURPOSE IS TO ESTABLISH A "NARCONON" DRUG REHABILITATION PROGRAM IN MEXICO. ACCORDING TO SPANISH LANGUAGE LITERATURE PREPARED LOCALLY, HE ALREADY HAS SET UP A LOCAL OFFICE.

2. MEXICAN OFFICIALS ARE WILLING AND INTERESTED IN WORKING WITH "NARCONON" ONCE THEY ARE ASSURED THAT THIS IS A REPUTABLE ORGANIZATION. DR. BELSASSO IS PREPARED TO SEND A STAFF MEMBER TO US FOR DISCUSSIONS AND OBSERVATION OF "NARCONON" CENTERS AS EARLY AS NEXT WEEK. AT SAME TIME, MEXICANS ARE SLIGHTLY SUSPICIOUS OF MR. BENITEZ AND QUITE FRANKLY A BIT TAKEN BACK BY HIS EFFRONTERY IN SEEKING TO ESTABLISH WITHOUT PRIOR

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CONSULTATION A PROGRAM IN MEXICO WHICH, INTER ALIA,

APPARENTLY MIGHT COLLECT FUNDS FOR USE IN "NARCONON'S"  
US PROGRAMS.

3. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE EARLY INFORMATION ON THIS  
ORGANIZATION.  
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